

# SIX THOUSAND CLERKS LOSE JOBS

## Special and Temporary Employees in Government to Be Dropped Tomorrow.

### OFFICES ARE ABOLISHED

Several thousand war workers employed on special or temporary rolls in various departments of the government are to lose their jobs tomorrow. Just how many of these temporary workers will be affected is not known, but the dismissals, necessitated by reason of abolishment or closing of the war activities in which these clerks have been employed, will be on a wholesale scale.

Beginning tomorrow a total of approximately 2,500 temporary employees of the War Department will be separated from the service. It is estimated that the number of employees to be extended over a period of at least several weeks.

#### Five War Bureaus Dropped.

Abolishment of five war bureaus of the Department of Labor, it was stated, will mean dismissal of about 350 employees of that department. Approximately 250 temporary employees are to be dismissed.

#### Railroad Office Not Affected.

The railroad administration is not to be affected, as it operates according to the calendar year, instead of the fiscal year. The more than 2,000 employees of the shipping board also are not affected for the present, as the board's appropriations it to operate with its present force.

#### To Reduce Force Gradually.

There will be no general reductions in the force tomorrow, but reductions will be made gradually thereafter as the war activities in the various departments are reduced. The offices where the main cuts will be made are the additional roll of the additional roll; the ordinance bureau, with 1,314; the quartermaster's bureau, with 1,174; the general office, with 580 additional employees.

#### State Department Reduction.

Reduced appropriations for the State Department for the next fiscal year beginning tomorrow will result in the dropping of 250 clerks and other employees on the "additional roll" unless provision is made for their retention. The sundry civil appropriation bill now under final consideration in Congress, it is stated, will seriously be embarrassed by the large cuts in the sundry civil appropriation bill, which will be cut down by the heavy cut made in the legislative, judicial and executive appropriation bill for the next fiscal year.

#### Five Labor Bureaus to Close.

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#### SIEGE AT BRESLAU.

Government Troops Reported to Be Occupying Railway Station.

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# WOULD HONOR ALL NC CREWS IN OCEAN FLIGHT

Secretary Daniels announced today he would recommend that Congress authorize a special medal for, and extend the thanks of the nation, to the members of the crews of the NC seaplanes which participated in the first transatlantic flight. He will recommend that in addition some special distinction be shown. The NC-4, Commander Albert G. Read, and the NC-5, Commander Charles G. Smith, were the only planes to complete the flight.

# GREETED MEN WHO FLEW OVER OCEAN

Secretary Daniels Tells Officers and Crews They "Made a New Day."

Secretary Daniels today welcomed home the commanding officers and crews of the American naval transatlantic flight squadron with the declaration that they had "made a new day and accomplished what the wisest among us can see the end of."

#### Achievement "Epoch-Making."

"I congratulate all of you gentlemen upon the achievement, which is epoch-making in the history of the world," said Secretary Daniels. "It is a very splendid utterance that his only regret was that all of the ships of the fleet were not present to show you all home again. You have given a new glory to naval explorations."

#### Special Medal Proposed.

Before greeting Commander John H. Towers, the squadron commander, and Lieut. Commanders Albert C. Read and Charles G. Smith, the secretary of the committee on the House bill, Secretary Daniels announced that he would recommend that Congress authorize a special medal for the crews of the NC-4 and NC-5, and that the crews of the NC-4, the only plane to complete the flight.

#### D. C. FOR COST PRB

OUT OFF COAST PRB

#### Proposed Investigation Awaits Results in Other Cities—Favorable Report on Franchise Bill.

The proposed investigation into the cost of production in the District of Columbia by the Senate District Committee will not be begun until the committee has obtained from the Department of Commerce the results of an investigation along these lines, which it has been conducting here and in other cities.

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# TO PERMIT SALE OF 23-4 PER CENT BEER

## Baltimore Decision Gives Privilege to Saloons, Despite Dry Law.

### LIQUOR BUYERS IN CITY

Special Dispatch to The Star.

BALTIMORE, Md., June 30.—United States District Attorney Dennis announced this afternoon that following the decision of the supreme court of New York the saloons of Baltimore will be allowed to remain open for the sale of 23 per cent beer and light wines.

Thousands of Washingtonians are here today to pay a last call on the dispensers of John Barleycorn. Many of them carried suitcases or satchels, all willing to "take a chance."

#### Not until today did the people of this city have any conception of the number of saloons and satchels possessed by Baltimoreans and visitors to the city.

The man or woman of the streets this morning knows something that could be used as a liquor container was the exception, people of both sexes and all ages and colors being included among the carriers. Many persons took empty suitcases and satchels to their places of employment this morning and will return them filled with bottles of liquor after the dry law becomes effective.

#### National Capital Represented.

Every train from the National Capital brought its complement of men and women looking for bottled goods at bargain prices, but the prices did not drop to as low a figure as they had been expected to.

Washington people helped to swell the early morning crowds in the streets. The police force was gradually increasing as the hands of the clock moved toward the hour at which the doors of such places must be closed for all time.

#### Assaultant Robs Victim.

The assailant of the woman is described as being a man of about twenty years of age, five feet two or three inches high and about twenty years of age. He was wearing a blue serge coat, light trousers and a checked cap. He was carrying a heavy club.

#### Ignored Offer of Purse, Says Victim.

"I was hurrying through the woods to catch the 10:30 p.m. car to Washington," said Mrs. Gleason this afternoon, "when the man stepped out and struck me across the mouth with a club, knocking me down. He then took my purse, containing \$20 and some liberty bond coupons, and fled. I followed him, but he ran away. I am now in the hospital, and I am unable to work."

#### Hotels Prohibit "Celebrations."

It was said this morning that no celebrations of the peace treaty would be permitted, proprietors of such establishments frowning upon such celebrations as a violation of the law.

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# ACCEPT HALF-AND-HALF

## Plan Retained in District Appropriation Bill by Conferees.

An agreement was reached today by the conferees of the Senate and House on the District appropriation bill by which the half-and-half plan is retained in the bill.

#### 18 AMERICANS DIE IN RUSSIAN BATTLE

25 Wounded, 7 Severely, in Fighting Anti-Kolchak Forces Near Romanovka.

#### REPORT OF GEN. GRAVES

Eighteen American soldiers were killed, one officer and seven men severely wounded and seventeen slightly wounded in an engagement with anti-Kolchak forces near Romanovka, on June 25. Maj. Gen. Graves, commanding the American expedition in Siberia, informed the War Department today that the engagement followed an attack by the bolsheviks on railroad guards.

#### Relaxation in Peace Circles.

There was complete relaxation in peace conference circles and in Paris generally today after the period of tension which culminated with the acceptance by Germany of the peace terms and the final signing of the treaty at Saturday's memorable ceremony in the Versailles palace.

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# GRAND STALL CALL

## SIGN THE TREATY

Delegates Are Not Regarded as Having Withdrawn From Conference.

#### LET-UP IN PEACE CIRCLES

By the Associated Press.

PARIS, June 30.—In spite of their refusal to sign the peace treaty Saturday, the Chinese delegates are not regarded as having withdrawn from the peace conference and will continue to take part in the proceedings.

#### Need Internal Peace—Clemenceau

In presenting the text of the peace treaty to the chamber of deputies today Premier Clemenceau made a brief speech, in which he recalled the French national assembly which met at Bordeaux in 1871 and added: "We must have peace as we made war, without weakness. Internal peace is a necessity for external peace."

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